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First Named Inventor	Martin E. Kordesch
Art Unit	2815
Examiner Name	Jerome Jackson, Jr.
Attorney Docket Number	90065.001020/8011.00

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Reply to Final Office Action of 30 Nov 2004

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed 30 November 2004,
Applicants request continued examination based on the following amendment
to the claims.